

VOLUNTOWN SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Regular Meeting held on July 15, 2008

Regular Meeting	The Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, July 15, 2008, at the Voluntown Town Hall. Mr. Grimm, First Selectman, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.
Selectmen Present	Gilbert G. Grimm, Ronald J. Millovitsch
Town Officials Present	Adam Burrows, Superintendent of Schools; Diana Ingraham, Board of Education Chairperson
Citizens Present	Members of the Robbins Cemetery Association; Audience Members
Approval of Minutes Motion	A motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch, Gilbert Grimm) to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held on July 1, 2008 as submitted. Unanimously voted.
Citizens Comments Robbins Cemetery	Members of the Robbins Cemetery Association approached the Town regarding the maintenance of the cemetery. The association noted that it is becoming increasingly difficult to maintain the cemetery and asked what would happen if they disbanded. The BOS stated that it would then be up to the BOS whether to take over the maintenance of the cemetery or to abandon it. The BOS urged the association not to disband and will have the Town Road Crew assist with mowing when possible.
Town Officials Comments Diana Ingraham	Mrs. Ingraham read a letter the Board of Education is sending to Mrs. Carol Girard authorizing her children to attend school in Voluntown during the 2008/2009 school year. Mrs. Girard's family recently suffered the loss of her husband and son to a drowning accident. Mrs. Ingraham noted that the BOE has made exceptions in the past for non-residents. It should be noted that Mrs. Girard will be returning to Voluntown upon completion of repairs to the family home which was damaged in a fire. The BOS agreed with this arrangement and a copy of the letter will be appended to these minutes.
Adam Burrows	Mr. Burrows noted that the school is ordering supplies and is making every effort to obtain the best possible prices. Mr. Burrows stated that the school's 2.76% budget increase was the second lowest in the state. He further noted that it appears the school will be able to return approximately \$59,000 to the town from fiscal year 2007/2008. This is in spite of \$44,000 in unanticipated costs. Mr. Burrows noted that savings were possible because of Special Education programs implemented at the school which reduced tuition and transportation costs. Mr. Burrows noted that the boiler project not only came in under the projected cost, but they may be eligible for state reimbursement of a portion of the expenditures.
Old Business Planning and Zoning Cheryl Sadowski	Cheryl Sadowski, Clerk to the P&Z, submitted a letter indicating that Byron Gallup and Albert Dawley may be interested in serving on the Board. The BOS tabled the letter until they contact Mr. Gallup and Mr. Dawley.
New Business	
Any Other Business Resignation – EDC	The BOS accepted a letter of resignation from Dwayne K. Davis from his position on the Economic Development Commission.
Resignation – ZBA	The BOS accepted a letter of resignation from Michael L. Anderson from his position on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

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Adjournment

Motion

A motion was made (Gilbert Grimm, Ronald Millovitsch) to adjourn the meeting.
The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m. Unanimously voted.

Respectfully submitted by:

Approved for distribution by:

Roxanne Gray, Admin. Asst. to the BOS

Gilbert G. Grimm, First Selectman